
IN THE CLAIMS

1. A combination flexible planar item and character, comprising:
a flexible planar item, that when manipulated, takes on the
appearance of a character, said character comprising
said planar item arranged to form a character body,
said body having an exterior surface and having at
least one character feature generally present on said
exterior surface.

a 2. A combination flexible planar item and character according to
Claim 1, wherein said flexible planar item is manipulated by
folding.

3. A combination flexible planar item and character according to
Claim 1, wherein said flexible planar item is manipulated by
rolling.

4. A combination flexible planar item and character according to
Claim 1, wherein said flexible planar item is manipulated by
folding and rolling.

5. A combination flexible planar item and character according to
Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is a facial

feature.

6. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is an appendage.

7. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is an article of clothing.

ai 8. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is placed onto said flexible planar item by adhesive means.

9. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is placed onto said flexible planar item by a bonding means.

10. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is affixed onto said flexible planar item by sewing.

11. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is affixed onto said flexible planar item by a snap.

12. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is affixed onto said flexible planar item by hook and loop fasteners.

13. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said at least one character feature is affixed onto said flexible planar item by rivets.

14. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said flexible planar item is a generally rectangular shape.

a 15. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said flexible planar item has a plurality of edges and wherein at least one edge is fringed and wherein said planar item is manipulated, said fringe forms a characteristic of said character.

16. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein the shape of said character body is maintained by a belt placed around said body to encircle said body.

17. A combination flexible planar item and character according

to Claim 16, wherein said belt is integral with said planar item.

18. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said flexible planar item has first and second surfaces, first, second, third, and fourth edges, a corner connecting said third edge with said second edge, and wherein said at least one character feature is placed on said first surface, generally proximate to said corner.

ai 19. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 18, wherein said flexible planar item is constructed and arranged to form said character by being folded in half, by orienting said fourth edge over said third edge and a portion of said second surface over itself, to form a folded edge and a half sized planar item; folding one third of said half sized item, from said folded edge, to form a rectangle having two short edges and two long edges, and an exterior surface, said exterior surface having said at least one character feature oriented thereon.

20. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 19, wherein said flexible planar item is rolled, beginning at said short edge distal to said corner until the entire flexible planar item is rolled, forming a generally cylindrical character body having said character feature

generally oriented upon the exterior of said character body.

21. A combination flexible planar item and character according to Claim 1, wherein said character feature is embroidered onto said flexible planar item.

22. A combination flexible planar item and character, comprising:

a flexible planar item having at least one character feature present thereon, said flexible planar item being folded and rolled to form a generally cylindrical character body, wherein at least a portion of said rolled item forms a portion of the exterior surface of said body, said body having said character feature oriented generally upon the exterior of said character body.

23. A method of creating a combination character from a flexible planar item, the steps comprising:

providing a flexible planar item having first and second surfaces, and at least first, second, and third edges, and at least one character feature placed on said first surface; and

manipulating said flexible planar item to form a character

body having said character feature oriented upon the exterior of said character body, at least a portion of said exterior of said character body form from said planar item.

24. The method according to Claim 23, wherein the step of manipulating is provided by folding said planar item to form a character body.

a1 25. The method according to Claim 23, wherein the step of manipulating is provided by rolling said planar item to form a character body.

26. The method according to Claim 23, wherein the step of manipulating is provided by folding and rolling said planar item to form a character body.

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Please add the following new claim:

a2 27. A combination flexible planar item and character, comprising:
a flexible planar item, that when manipulated, takes on the appearance of a character, said character comprising said planar item manipulated to form a character body, said body having an exterior surface, at least a portion of said exterior surface formed of said planar